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SUBJECT: UN WATER CONFERENCE - ECA INVITATION TO ATTEND  
AFRICAN REGIONAL PREPARATORY MEETING

FOLLOWING IS GUIDANCE FOR US DELEGATION TO SUBJECT MEETING.

1. GENERAL POSTURE. USDEL SHOULD TAKE LOW KEY BUT, WHEN  
APPROPRIATE, CONSTRUCTIVE AND POSITIVE ROLE AT THIS MEETING.  
DELEGATION SHOULD ESTABLISH WORKING RAPPORT WITH CONFERENCE

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SECRETARY GENERAL MAGEED (FROM THE SUDAN) AND TOM OLIVER,

HIS PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT FROM THE UN SECRETARIAT. BOTH HAVE ATTENDED PREVIOUS REGIONAL PREPARATORY MEETINGS IN BANGKOK AND LIMA. TO THE EXTENT OPPORTUNITY PERMITS, DELEGATION SHOULD ENCOURAGE JOINT EFFORT TO KEEP FOCUS OF MEETING ON SUBSTANTIVE QUESTIONS, I.E., GLOBAL WATER PROBLEMS, AND AWAY FROM EXTRANEIOUS ISSUES (NIEO, CERDS, PLO, ETC.), INTRUSION OF WHICH COULD ONLY DAMAGE PROSPECTS FOR A SUCCESSFUL CONFERENCE. ALTERNATIVE DELEGATE JOHNSON BRINGS BACKGROUND OF TECHNICAL EXPERTISE (INCLUDING PAST SERVICE AS ASSISTANT U.S. SURGEON GENERAL) AND PARTICIPATION IN PREPARATORY WORKING GROUP IN WASHINGTON. HE WILL BE EXPECTED TO HANDLE INQUIRIES AND AGENDA ITEMS WHICH RELATE DIRECTLY TO SUCH BACKGROUND AND, IN PARTICULAR, KEY AREA OF DOMESTIC WATER.

2. ACTION PROPOSALS. POSITION U.S. HAS TAKEN AT OTHER PREPARATORY MEETINGS IS THAT VARIETY OF ACTION PROPOSALS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED BY CONFERENCE AND DESERVE TO RECEIVE CAREFUL REVIEW BY OTHER REGIONAL BODIES PRIOR TO CONFERENCE. THUS, CONSENSUS REACHED AT REGIONAL MEETINGS, IN OUR VIEW, CONSTITUTES NO MORE THAN AGREEMENT TO CONSIDER LATER AT CONFERENCE AND OTHER APPROPRIATE PREPARATORY MEETINGS.

3. U.S. PREPARATIONS. THESE ARE DESCRIBED IN STATE 227263. DELEGATION SHOULD DRAW ON THIS BACKGROUND FOR INFORMAL CONVERSATIONS AND, IF REQUESTED, FOR PLENARY STATEMENT.

4. U.S. INTEREST IN THIS MEETING. DELEGATION SHOULD PROVIDE WHATEVER INSIGHTS IT CAN ON TOPICS BELOW, WHICH MAY BE OBTAINED DURING SESSION OR IN PRIVATE DISCUSSIONS, PARTICULARLY WITH MAGEED, OLIVER, AND ADEDEJI. (LIMA 8087, REPEATED TO ADDIS ABABA FOR USDEL, IS EXAMPLE OF INSIGHTS OBTAINED FROM PREVIOUS REGIONAL PREPARATORY MEETING.)

A. EXTENT AND DEPTH OF AFRICAN INTEREST IN CONFERENCE, INCLUDING LEVEL AND MAKE-UP OF DELEGATIONS AS CAN BEST BE DETERMINED. THIS SHOULD INCLUDE ANY INSIGHTS INTO AFRICAN VIEWS OF WORK OF CONFERENCE SECRETARIAT AND PERFORMANCE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OF MAGEED.

B. EXTRANEIOUS ISSUES WHICH MAY EMERGE AT CONFERENCE.

C. ACTION PROPOSALS FAVORED BY AFRICANS, INCLUDING DEGREE OF INTEREST IN FOLLOW-UP TO HABITAT RECOMMENDATION IN AREA OF DOMESTIC WATER. ROBINSON

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